



IODE Canada *Express News*

Share a Story ... Bring a Book has continued to gain momentum, interest and a wee bit of competition over the years!

This year, as we head to Prince Edward Island for our first in person meeting since 2019, we once again are looking to support Early Childhood Literacy.

In our endeavor, we are promoting and making books accessible to some children that would not have much interaction, and thus are starting school at age 4 or 5 already behind in vocabulary and reading development.

By the time a child is 5 years old and has consumed 5 books a day, they have heard 1,483,300 words! Compare this to never having been read to, only 4,662 words.

Share a Story ... Bring a Book has contributed over 3,000 books with a value of \$25,364 since 2011. What a great benefit to the children!

This year's books will be donated PEI's CHANCES (Caring, Helping, And Nurturing, Children Every Step) a non-profit, charitable organization that exists to provide a range of child development and parent support services to children from 0-11 years and their families, particularly those experiencing additional life challenges.

Monetary contribution can be done by;

e-Transfer to iodecanada@bellnet.ca

OR mailing a cheque to

IODE Canada,

80 Birmingham Street, Suite B6

Toronto, ON M8V 3W6

Please include a note that it is for the **Share a Story ... Bring a Book** collection.

Donations over \$20 will receive a tax receipt similar to other donations to IODE Canada.

A quote from Roald Dahl of *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* fame – *"If you are going to get anywhere in life you have to read a lot of books."*

Thank you for your continued support of this project as we strive to reach an important element of our society.

Founded in 1900, IODE Canada is a national women's charitable organization dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for individuals through education support, community services and citizenship programs.

For more information about our organization and charitable work, please visit our website.

www.IODE.ca



IODE Canada, 80 Birmingham Street, Suite B6, Toronto, ON M8V 3W6

1-866-827-7428 IODECanada@bellnet.ca